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## 2010 Milk Production in Pennsylvania Up 1.7 Percent from 2009

HARRISBURG, PA, Mar 25, 2011- - Pennsylvania's milk production for 2010 totaled 10,734 million pounds, up 183 million pounds or up 1.7 percent from 2009. Pennsylvania ranked fifth in milk production for 2010 behind California, Wisconsin, Idaho, and New York.

The average number of milk cows during the year was 541,000, which was 4,000 less than the previous year. Production per cow during 2010 totaled 19,841 pounds, compared to 19,360 pounds during 2009.

The annual production of milk for the U.S. during 2010 was 193 billion pounds, 1.8 percent above 2009. Revisions to 2009 production increased the annual total 14 million pounds. Revised 2010 production was up 93 million pounds from last month's publication.

Average milk production per cow in the U.S. for 2010 averaged 21,149 pounds, 576 pounds above 2009. Average annual rate of milk production per cow has increased 16.4 percent from 2001.

The average number of milk cows on farms in the U.S. during 2010 was 9.12 million head, down 0.9 percent from 2009. The average number of milk cows was revised up 2,000 head for 2009.

## MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION, PENNSYLVANIA, 23 STATES AND U.S., 2009-2010

	Unit	Pennsylvania		23 States		United States	
Item		2009	2010	2009	2010	2009	2010
Milk Cows	Thous.	545	541	8,409	8,355	9,203	9,117
Milk Per Cow	Lbs.	19,360	19,841	20,847	21,440	20,573	21,149
Milk Production	Mil. Lbs.	10,551	10,734	175,316	179,138	189,334	192,819
Licensed Dairy Herds	Number	7,400	7,340	*	*	54,932	53,127

<sup>\*</sup>Not published or calculated.